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LOCAL NEWS.

Lee Henkle is visiting relatives in Pendleton.
Drummers' samples of various articles at cost, at Small & Son's.

Robt. Glass went to Portland, last week, for a visit with friends.

The dancing club enjoyed another of their popular dances in Fischer's hall, last Friday night.

A fine line of smokers' supplies at Small & Son's. Just the things for a Christmas present for a gentleman friend.

Mr. Cleve Norton, of Blodgett, and Miss Effie Ramsdell, of Kings Valley, were married in Corvallis, December 13, 1922, Rev. T. M. Ramsdell officiating.

Nothing so pleases the small boy as something military. H. W. Hall has full regalia for drum majors, captains and other officers—boy's size. Then there are dolls, etc., for their sisters.

Eugene Simpson, of this city, is quite a chicken fancier. He sent a buff leghorn pullet to Portland to the poultry show recently held in that city and received one of the first prizes.

Prof. Haskins has resigned his position as head of the normal department of Philomath College, to accept a position in Eastern Nebraska. His family will join him in the spring.

The GAZETTE has been given a quiet tip that five weddings are to be solemnized in Corvallis within the next month. The high contracting parties will be—but that will appear later.

The U of O's record for the season was 87 to 16, Albany's 128 to 6. Figures are what speak—Albany Democrat. O A C's record for the season was 153 to 16. There are some figures that do some talking, also.

The new Oregon code, compiled and edited by Judge C. B. Bellinger and W. W. Cotton, has just been issued. The secretary of state has 1,000 copies for distribution under the law, and the books are for sale at \$12.

Capt. Dupertuis, who has been holding meetings in the Salvation Army hall for a few nights, has returned to Portland, where he is due for ten days meetings. There will be no services in the hall until after the holidays, when new officers will arrive.

Ripe raspberries in the middle of December. How that will excite the incredulity of Easterners while it makes their mouths water. Henry Gerber brought a branch, broken off of one of his raspberry bushes, to the GAZETTE office Saturday, that was laden with luscious, ripe berries; the second crop this season.

Prof. H. S. Haroun, head of the business department of Philomath College, is the possessor of a handsome charm, an emblem of Old Fellowship, of which he is justly proud. It was presented to him in the college chapel, last Tuesday, by the young men of that institution, Professor Caldwell making the presentation speech. Professor Haroun is highly popular with the students of the college.

Mordant Goodnough, director of the School of Music at the O A C, will give a pupils recital in the chapel next Thursday evening. It will be the first recital given by the department this year and a musical treat is assured those who attend. Thorough instruction has been given and pains taken to make the recital of interest. The general public is invited, but it should be borne in mind that the doors will close promptly at 7:45 and no interruption will be permitted.

In view of the point being made in many sections of the country over the brutality of football, the injury list does not seem so great when figured out on this basis. There are in this country about 10,000 football teams, including colleges, schools, athletic clubs and minor organizations. A conservative estimate places the members of each team at 25. The result of 250,000 boys playing a rough game every day for 80 days must of necessity be accidents and deaths.

The following dispatch from Hillsboro to the Oregonian, under date of December 12th, concerns a former prominent Corvallis man: Professor Milner, of the Woodlawn schools, was yesterday brought before the court on peremptory proceedings to be examined as to why he has failed to pay alimony granted his wife as the result of a divorce suit some months ago. Milner stated that of his salary received as principal of the Woodlawn school, after his club dues, board and lodging, and necessary personal expenses were met, he had nothing to apply to the order of the court.

Born, in this city, Wednesday, Dec. 10, 1902, to the wife of J. J. Moore, a son.

Attorney C. E. Woodson returned, Saturday, from a week's absence in Eastern Oregon.

Gay F. Laws, recently of Corvallis, has moved with his family from Portland to Grants Pass.

A. D. Morrison arrived, Sunday, from Portland, to spend the holidays with relatives in this city.

Nolan & Callahan's holiday presents are all worth one hundred cents on the dollar the day after Christmas.

Manager Groves is in receipt of a request from Jessie Shirley for a date for her company sometime after the holidays.

G. T. Garshwiler, who recently disposed of his farm property near Philomath, has taken up his residence in Corvallis.

D. R. Norton of Corvallis has been visiting in town during the week with his friend Chas. Crow—Grants Pass Courier.

Some of the swellest things in the way of handkerchief and glove boxes for Xmas presents are now on display at H. W. Hall's.

Dr. Withycombe, Prof. Kent and Messrs. Woodcock and A. H. Nichols left, yesterday, for Hillsboro to attend the meeting of the State Dairymen's Association.

Arthur Stimpson, formerly librarian at the O A C, but now in the railway mail service, has been taking the place of J. H. Penn on the C. & E. route for the past week.

The mask ball which will be given next Monday night, in the Opera House, bids fair to be a swell event. The floor management will be under the direction of Messrs. Kerr and McHenry.

Mrs. St. German is disposing of her property in this city. She will leave in the spring for Waterville, Wash., where she will join her husband and daughter, who now have employment at that place.

Fred Edwards, brother of Commandant Edwards of the Oregon Agricultural College, is confined in the Good Samaritan Hospital, at Portland, with an attack of appendicitis. An operation will be performed.

On Thursday and Friday afternoons of this week the ladies of the Christian church will give a Christmas sale at the home of Mrs. J. W. Howard, corner 5th and Adams Sts. Point lace, dollies, handkerchiefs, pillows, etc.

The Ladies Aid Society of the Presbyterian church will be at home to the public at the residence of Mrs. John Simpson, on Thursday, Dec. 18th, from 1 to 6 o'clock p. m., during which time handkerchiefs will be on sale.

The C. & E. railroad company, by its attorney, W. S. McFadden, appeared before the commissioners' court at its last session and filed a petition asking for a reduction of assessment for the year 1922. The matter was continued for the term.

Mrs. Ella Bills, wife of J. C. Bills, of Glencoe, died at the family home, December 6th. The deceased was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Mays, of Elk City, Lincoln county. She was born in Benton county, May 24, 1867, and lived in Corvallis with her parents until 1891, when she moved to Glencoe. October 18, 1894, she married J. C. Bills, who, with her three children, survives her. Her surviving brothers and sisters are: Marion, of Elk City; Alton, of Juneau, Alaska; Elmer and Clarence, merchants at Glencoe, and Mrs. F. H. Mitchell, of Woodburn.

No attraction has appeared in Corvallis which more nearly redeemed the promises of the billboards, than "The Irish Pawnbrokers," given at the Opera House last Friday evening. Ollie Mack has his equal as a portrayer of "Shanty Irish" character, and he has excellent support in Mazie Trumble and Joe Sullivan. The performance is a "musical mix-up" pure and simple, and one roars at its many absurd situations, and giggles for days afterward. The only adverse criticism offered, is that the atmosphere of the entertainment is coarse. But then one does not expect Irish pawnbrokers to be models of culture and refinement.

Members of the Union.

We earnestly desire your prompt attendance at the Thursday's meeting. "You," means you who know yourselves as members, and don't forget the date. We may as well continue the list of don'ts, so don't come to be entertained; don't hunt up an excuse for not coming; don't fail to have some defined purpose; don't think your home duties more pressing than those of the few faithful ones who are always present; don't fail to perform some self-appointed service for the good of the cause; don't forget there are many ways by which good results may be secured.

Last, and above all, don't fail to come; and come prepared to do.

NEW SCHOOL LAW.

Important Change from Present Statute Contemplated in Bill now being Prepared.

One of the important changes in the school laws of Oregon which is likely to be attempted at the next session of the legislature, says the Telegram, is to authorize the consolidation of school districts for the purpose of concentrating the school money with a view of conducting a better class of schools and provide a way of conveying to and from such schools the children, who, by the change, should be situated at a distance from it of two miles or over.

A bill for this purpose is already in course of preparation providing the manner in which the districts desiring consolidation must proceed to accomplish consolidation, which shall be by having a meeting of the electors of each district called especially for that purpose, at which a vote by ballot shall be taken and due return thereof shall be made to the district boundary board of the county, and consolidation shall be declared only when a majority of the votes are cast in favor of it in each district to be included. The new district thus formed shall take such rank as its population entitles it to take, and the directors of the most populous district, in the number consolidating shall remain as directors of the new district, subject to such changes as subsequent elections may make.

All the property of the several districts joining the consolidation shall become the property of the new district, and be subject to the control of its board of directors.

The school boards of these consolidated districts are required to furnish transportation to and from school to all pupils living more than two miles from the school, and may, at their discretion, furnish transportation for any and all pupils residing nearer than two miles, or the board may, in its discretion, pay the board of any pupil at a suitable place near the school. The proposed law gives such boards power to pay for this transportation a board out of the common school funds of their districts.

The bill proposes also to authorize the school board of any district, when authorized by a majority vote of the district, to suspend the district school there in and to arrange with another district for the instruction of the pupils, and to provide transportation for them to the schoolhouses where such arrangements are made; district school boards are also authorized to provide transportation for children of their district to and from the schoolhouse in their own district, when authorized by a majority of the district at any legal meeting, and shall levy a tax to carry out those provisions.

This is quite a radical departure in Oregon school methods, and the advocates of the measure claim that the proposition has great merit in it. Should this bill become a law and the consolidation of districts in thinly settled localities should become general, it is likely the law would be amended cutting out the \$50 which is now appropriated to each school district and leaving only pro rata apportionment. Without that change a good many of the smaller districts would refuse to join the consolidation; or should four or five districts join together, they would lose as a consolidated body about \$200 of the school fund which the same territory would receive as separate districts.

Is a Public Benefactor.

Nothing so impresses visitors to a city, favorably or unfavorably, as the appearance of its business houses. The favorably impressed visitor, seeking a residence, will remain. The visitor who is not pleased with the indications of lack of thrift and out-of-date appearance of show windows and displays of goods, will move on, and discourage all with whom he comes in contact from choosing such a town for a business location or place of residence.

It needs no plainer argument to satisfy everyone that the business man who keeps his store or shop well stocked and neat in appearance is a public benefactor. The increase of business which he will enjoy will repay him for his trouble and investment, and his example is an incentive to a general improvement.

This little dissertation is inspired by the wide-awake policy pursued by J. M. Cameron and the enterprise he has displayed in providing Corvallis with the most thoroughly equipped harness-making establishment in the state outside of Portland. He has spared no pains to make his place of business attractive. Last Saturday he received from Toledo, Ohio, a life-sized figure of a horse upon which to display his harness. The figure is life-like and represents a beautiful dapple gray roadster. It is 15½ hands in height, and weighs 260 pounds.

Selected for All-Star Team.

Yesterday's Oregonian names the players which in the estimation of its athletic editor, should compose the all-star football team from the colleges of Oregon for the season of 1922. Pilkington, Root and Burnough are selected for fullback, half and center, respectively. Of Pilkington, the Oregonian's authority says:

"Bert Pilkington, of the Oregon Agricultural College, is far and away the best candidate for the position of fullback. He is a big fellow, strong, and active as a cat, and always combines splendid head work with his playing. His work in the Corvallis-Eugene game of this year was an exhibition in itself, and every contest of the season showed practically the same result. Pilkington is in a class by himself, so far as Oregon fullbacks are concerned, his only superior in the Northwest existing in the person of 'Hez' Brown, the stalwart Whitman player."

In giving its reason for selecting Root,

off A C, for half back on the all-star team, the Oregonian says:

"Root plays the game for all he is worth, although comparatively inexperienced. He does not possess the ground-gaining ability of Goodrich, but is better on interference and tackling. His work in the Corvallis-Washington game was of very high order, and when the 'farmers' found their chance to carry the pigskin over the Seattle goal line, Root did the stunt in a very creditable manner, after a series of pretty end runs and tandem plays."

The choice of a center is hard to determine, as Burnough, of Corvallis, and McKinney, of Oregon, are almost evenly matched. Burnough, while 10 pounds lighter than McKinney, is given the place, although the big Oregon freshman is one of the most promising men in the Northwest. Burnough is more active than McKinney, has played the game longer, and for these reasons he is selected."

Nash and Bundy, of O A C, are chosen as substitutes. The Oregonian makes this comment concerning them:

"Nash, of the Agricultural College, was out of the game during a greater part of the season, so no just criticism of his work can be made."

"Bundy is a promising tackle, and in another season will show great improvement."

O. A. C. Girls Won.

The basketball girls of the Agricultural College have met the best teams in Oregon during the past four years, and have never suffered defeat. This year's team gives promise of sustaining the brilliant record of its predecessors. In a fast game at the Armory Friday night, the farmer lasses completely outclassed the girls from McMinnville College by defeating them by a score of 22 to 2. The visitors could not make a goal from the field, their two points resulting from fouls committed by their opponents.

Coach Viggers is well pleased with the showing made by the local team. Under his tutelage they should improve rapidly and again win the championship.

The players and their positions are: Captain and guard, Una Stewart; guard, Myra Yager; forwards, Ethel Linville and Ray Smith; center, Edna Yaeger. The McMinnville players are: Beula Latourette, captain and center; Bernice Abel and Merle Grissen, guards; Lola Kims and Ambia Daniels, forwards; Ena Newanyer and Mary Jones, subs.

"Pickings from Puck."

Group after group of merry chorons girls with their fantastic gestures, appear and join in the merry Ping Pong dance in the farcial musical offering, "Pickings from Puck," which will appear at the Opera House, Thursday evening, Dec. 18th. The characters are comic and the lines are amusing; in fact, a better vehicle for a display of the company's talent could not be supplied anywhere. So much fun is created in the farce that it compels people to shriek with laughter. The musical numbers will be popular because they are easy to whistle. The scenery and costumes are most attractive to the eye. The show starts heroically with a primitive jungle and rises to "inspired nonsense."

Concert and Dance.

Great preparations are being made for the students' dance which is to be given in the Armory next Friday night. The Corvallis Orchestra of eight pieces under the direction of F. R. Overlander has been engaged to furnish the music for the dance and to play a concert of an hour just before the dance begins. The concert will begin promptly at eight o'clock and the following program will be rendered:

Overture—Last Days of Pompeii...Smart Overture—My Native Hills...Ripley Concert Valse—Visions of a Beautiful Woman...Farrbach Fantasia—Providence...Tobani Gems of Stephen Foster...Theo. Moses

Additional Local.

Oil meal for sale at Graham & Wells. Splendid feed for dairy stock.

Ten per cent reduction on Men's suits at Kline's. Fit yourself out for Xmas.

Albums, dolls, toilet cases and a full line of general holiday goods at wholesale prices at Small & Son's.

Wear Ralston Health Shoe—the cure for cold and wet feet. All leathers and styles: price, \$4. S. L. Kline, sole agent.

J. F. Aldrich leaves today for a two-month's visit to San Francisco and Oakland, Calif. He has a sister residing in the latter city. This is his first visit to the California metropolis in seven years.

THE CHRISTMAS STIR
IS NOW ON
AT S. L. KLINE'S
You should not fail to be numbered among the lucky purchasers this week. Now is the time, and this is the place to buy your Christmas Presents.
Toys and Holiday Goods Galore. A Complete Collection, so don't delay.

Our Christmas Dolls They are the kind that every little girl wants, and you can secure a whole family here. We have them in all sizes, from a tiny baby doll to a great big beauty, from 5 cents to \$5.	Toilet Cases The prettiest line we have ever shown, in ebony, sterling and celluloid, 50c, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.50, \$2.00, \$3.00, \$4.00
Collar, Cuff and Glove Boxes Always suitable for a Christmas present for a lady or gentlemen friend. 50c, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.50, \$2.00.	Christmas Handkerchiefs For ladies, men and children, in plain, hemstitched, lace, and embroidered edges of all kinds, at 5c, 10c, 20c, 25c, up to 75c.
Purses and Chatelaine Bags In all the latest novelties, from 25c, to \$3.00	Special Sale of Men's Suits Part of our clothing was late arriving and we have placed them on sale at a 10 per cent reduction. These are the famous Hart, Schaffner & Marx make, quality guaranteed. A good chance X-mas present.
Albums 25c, 50c, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.50, \$3.50, \$4.50, \$5.00.	Pictures and Decorated Ware Matted carbon mounts and medallions. A very pretty line of decorated ware, all at popular prices.
Hand Mirrors Articles that are always useful, 25c, 50c, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.50.	Holiday Slippers For ladies and men. Slippers are an ideal present. Our line is large and attractive. Prices, 50c, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$2.00.
Gloves and Suspenders For quality and style our line can not be excelled. Gloves, 25c to \$1.50. Suspenders, 10c, 15c, 25c, 50c.	Ping Pong A royal game, or table tennis, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.50, \$3.00.
	Silverware In broken pieces and sets, from \$1.50 to \$7.00.

So varied are our assortments of pleasing things, and the prices range so wide, that selections to suit every individual's taste can be made at

S. L. KLINE'S
The White House.
Regulator of Low Prices. Corvallis, Or.

Bids for Wood.
Bids for furnishing the Oregon Agricultural College with wood for the ensuing school year will be received at the office of the Purchasing Agent up to the thirty-first day of December, 1922. For specifications and form of bid apply at the office of the Clerk, or to the undersigned.
JOHN D. DALY,
Secy. Board Regents.
Corvallis, Oregon, Dec. 8, 1922.

Bids for Wood.
Bids for furnishing School Dist. No. 9 with 70 cords fir and 25 cords oak grub wood for the ensuing school year will be received at the office of the school clerk up to January 19, 1923. For specifications and form of bid apply at the office of
MILES STARR,
Clerk for School Dist. No. 9.
Corvallis, Or., Dec. 10, 1922.

For Sale.
Complete set of house furnishings, including bedroom sets, heating stoves, cook stove, kitchen and dining room furnishings, baby carriage, etc. Call at residence, opposite electric light plant and examine.
JOHN G. HANCOCK.

MISS MABEL CRONISE
(Chicago College of Music)
Teacher of Voice and Pianoforte
Terms Reasonable.
CORVALLIS, OREGON.

Watch Confidence
Makes traveling a pleasure, when correct time is always a necessity. Yours may be a capable timekeeper, but through incompetent repairing you have lost faith in it.
Bring it in to me. I will repair the worst wrecked watch, and I will do it economically.
Albert J. Metzger
Occidental Building. Corvallis, Or.
Vetch Seed
For sale. Address M. S. Woodcock, Corvallis, Oregon.

Xmas Gifts
My large Stock of
Watches, Clocks, Jewelry, Etc.
Watch my show windows for pointers on Christmas presents.
Has been constantly added to, and will continue to be added to preparatory for the Holidays. I have the largest line of Holiday Goods ever displayed in your city. Call and look it over.
E. W. S. Pratt,
The Jeweler and Optician.

Fruits for the Christmas Table
do here abound—fruits fresh and fruits fresh when encased in glass or tin; therefore sweet, fine flavored, luscious now.
Then there are the relishes appetizing and belonging to that famous feast, the Christmas dinner. We have these, too, in plenty—sauces, catsup, chow chow, etc. Everything to help make the meats and vegetables a royal repast here.
P. M. ZIEROLF

THE Pioneer Bakery
Fresh bread daily. A complete stock of candies, fruits and nuts kept constantly on hand. Smokers supplies a specialty.
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H. W. HALL Proprietor.